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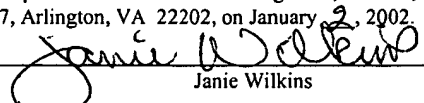
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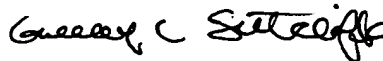
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

The Commissioner is hereby petitioned for a one-month extension of time, through and including January 3, 2002, to respond to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Non-Provisional Application of October 3, 2001. See 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a). Enclosed is a check for \$240.00, \$110.00 of which is for payment of the extension of time fee. The Commissioner is authorized to debit account No. 11-0855 for any deficiency in the enclosed fee and for any other fees due as a consequence of filing this paper.

Respectfully submitted,



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